

JENKINS POND FALMOUTH BARNSTABLE COUNTY

AREA = 87 ACRES SCALE I" = 268 FEET

X = MAXIMUM DEPTH = 5! FEET

JENKINS POND (Falmouth)

General Information:

This 87-acre natural kettlehole pond has an average depth of 27 feet and a maximum depth of 51 feet. Transparency is very good, extending to 18 feet, and aquatic vegetation is scarce. The bottom is composed of sand, gravel and rubble. The shoreline is heavily developed with residences except for a sandy beach at the northeastern end of the pond.

The pond is located to the northeast of Mares Pond and north of Sandwich Road. It can be reached by taking Route 151 or Route 28 to Sandwich Road, and Sandwich Road to Deepwood Drive. Public access is provided by a town right-of-way at the western edge of the pond off of Deepwood Drive. The launching site is suitable for canoes and car top boats. **No outboard motors are allowed. Only electric motors are permitted.**

Fish Populations:

This pond has not been thoroughly sampled since 1966, when a fisheries survey found seven species present: yellow perch, chain pickerel, pumpkinseed, golden shiner, killifish, brown bullhead and johnny darter. Catches of smallmouth bass and white perch (both stocked by the MDFW prior to 1947) and bluegills are regularly reported. Channel catfish (or possibly white catfish) have also reportedly been stocked here by unknown persons.

Fishing Information:

Jenkins Pond offers good fishing for smallmouth bass and white perch in addition to the usual assortment of warm water panfish. The best live bait (if you can find some) is grass shrimp, followed closely by nightcrawlers. Small spinners and light colored jigs are also proven producers for both bass and perch. Best fishing for bass is generally along the rubble-bottomed northern shore, particularly in the spring. The "plateau" areas around the mouths of the two western coves are good places to start jigging for perch.